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Dear Mr. Kick:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request number **F2019-874568** addressed to the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL). Your request was assigned to the Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) for response. You requested EBSA's FOIA request log covering 2018 that includes a field showing the subject of each request and a field for the final disposition.

EBSA's National Office has produced a FOIA log of approximately 12 pages which lists requests received in 2018; however, we do not have the capability to run a report that includes the disposition of each FOIA request. These records are enclosed herewith and have been redacted to effect Exemption 6 and Exemption 7(a). Exemption 6 (5 U.S.C 522(b)(6)) permits the withholding of information that would constitute an invasion of personal privacy. Exemption 7(A) (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(7)(A)) permits the withholding of records and/or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, if the production of such law enforcement records and/or information could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings. I believe that disclosure of this information, at this time, could reasonably be expected to interfere with those proceedings.

In accordance the Department regulation 29 CFR 70.40(c)(1), dated May 30, 2006, requestors are charged for search, review, and reproduction costs. However, the fee is being waived since the total is under the de minimis costs threshold of \$15.00 (29 CFR 70.43(a).)

If you would like to discuss any aspect of your request please do not hesitate to contact EBSA's FOIA Coordinator, Kathy Hoover at [hoover.kathy@dol.gov](mailto:hoover.kathy@dol.gov) or the DOL FOIA Public Liaison, Thomas Hicks, at 202-693-5427 or by email at [hicks.thomas@dol.gov](mailto:hicks.thomas@dol.gov). Alternatively, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) within the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to inquire about the mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001. You can also reach that office by e-mail at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov), by phone at 202-741-5770, by fax at 202-741-5769, or by calling toll-free at 1-877-684-6448.

You may administratively appeal by writing to the Solicitor of Labor within 90 days from the date of this letter if you are not satisfied with the response to this request. The appeal must state in writing the grounds for the appeal, and it may include any supporting statements or arguments, but such statements are not required. In order to facilitate processing of the appeal, please include your mailing address and daytime telephone number, as well as a copy of the initial request and copy of this letter. The envelope and letter of the appeal should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Any amendment to the appeal must be made in writing and received prior to a decision. The appeal should be addressed to the Solicitor of Labor, Division of Management and Administrative Legal Services, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N2420, Washington, DC 20210. Appeals may also be submitted by email to [foiaappeal@dol.gov](mailto:foiaappeal@dol.gov). Appeals submitted to any other email address will not be accepted.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure(s)